

# OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL

201 NORTH SCOVILLE AVENUE • OAK PARK, IL 60302-2296

Parent Teacher Advisory Committee  
Thursday, March 20, 2014  
3:30 – 5 p.m. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room

## Present:

Nina Allen (Thrive)	Brian Beyers (SID)	Janel Bishop (Chair - SID)
Randy Braverman (OPRF)	Michael Byars (OPRF)	Linda Caprile (Parent)
Aleta Clardy (Parent)	Deloris Collins (OPRF)	Holly Economos (Parent)
Suze Ferrier (OPRF)	Rick Flores (Parent)	Manuel Gonzalez (OPRF)
Cathleen Martin (OPRF)	Esteban Medina (OPRF)	Allison Myers (OPRF)Melissa
Potrawski (OP Township)	Manuel Ruiz (SRO)	Brandon Schneider (Student)
Daniel Swope (Parent)	Marvin Walker (OPRF)	David Walksler (OPRF)
Kaitlyn Walsh (Student)	Jeff Weissglass (BOE)	Mark Woods (OPRF)
Kayla York (Student)		

## Absent:

Heather Cody (OPRF)	Jackie Moore (BOE)	Sarah Roodhouse (OPRF)
Nate Rouse (OPRF)	Courtney Sakellaris (OPRF)	Jonathon Silver (SID)
Alisa Walton (SID)	Barry Williams (Student)	Gladys Wright (OPRF)

Introductions were made by all in attendance.

A recommendation to approve the minutes of March 13, 2014 was made by Holly Economos and seconded by Nina Allen. All approved.

**Purpose of Meetings Recap** -- The Board of Education (BOE) policy regarding this committee's work was outlined. The BOE is the policy-making body that will be asked to act upon the recommendations that come forth from this group for the discipline policy.

**Open Meeting Act Training** – All participants were asked to complete the required OMA training as soon as possible. Training certificates should be forwarded to Ms. Bishop upon completion.

**Review of Topics to be Covered** – All participants will work in subgroups to discuss the topics listed below. All recommendations developed in the subgroups will be brought back to the group as a whole. The SIDS will be the subgroup for any revisions to the Handbook Matrix. Each subgroup was asked to take notes as a way track their discussions and to keep the timeline in mind. If another day is needed to complete the work, all were asked to be open to this possibility. Some of the listed topics will not take as much time as others to discuss. It was reiterated that the majority of the discussions will be done outside of the established meeting times. The subgroups were encouraged to share e-mail addresses and phone numbers with each other in their group.

**Announcement of Sub-Groups:** It was shared that the subgroup roster selections was based upon those who responded first. The subgroups are comprised of the following committee members:

Plasco (Cathleen Martin, Holly Economos, Allison Myers, Brandon Schneider)

Period 1 Tardy Procedures (Marvin Walker, Daniel Swope, Kaitlyn Walsh)

Unexcused Absence Drop Process (Esteban Medina, Kayla York, Gladys Wright)

Restorative Justice and use of Peace Circles (Michael Byars, Rick Flores, Jackie Moore, Melissa Potrawski)

Advisory Period/Freshman Mentor Program (Randy Braverman, Manuel Gonzalez, Heather Cody, David Walksler)

Community Service (Jeff Weissglass, Officer Ruiz, Sarah Roodhouse, Aleta Clardy)

Suspension Reduction Program (Nina Allen, Courtney Sakellaris, Barry Williams)

Cell Phones (Mark Woods, Suze Ferrier, Linda Caprile)

The SIDS will be available as a resource for any help needed from the sub-groups.

**Sub-Group Brainstorm Session:** Prior to breaking into the subgroups, it was shared that the recommendations that come from the subgroup discussions will need to be written. The recommendations will be reviewed by the whole and tweaked, if necessary and included in the final report if a recommendation is going to move forward.

All were thanked for their participation and work on the subgroups.

**Public Comment:** Ms. Clardy indicated that she served last year on this committee, which was a smaller group and that she appreciated the representation of all who are part of this committee.

**Adjournment:** Subgroups ended their discussions at 4:55 p.m.